#### THE CALIFORNIA DEBT LIMIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

# **December 12, 2012**

## **Staff Report**

# REQUEST FOR A QUALIFIED PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND ALLOCATION FOR A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECT

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**Applicant:** City of Los Angeles

**Allocation Amount Requested:** 

**Tax-exempt:** \$7,000,000

**Project Information:** 

**Name:** Moonlight Villas Apartments

**Project Address**: 12381 Osborne Street

Project City, County, Zip Code: Los Angeles, Los Angeles, 91331

**Project Sponsor Information:** 

Name: Moonlight Villas, L.P. (Los Angeles Housing Partnership, Inc.

and Abbey Road, Inc.)

**Principals**: Andre Perry, Greg Santilli, Ryan Mendoza, Charles Kim for Los

Angeles Housing Partnership, Inc. and Ivelise Markovits, Bernard La Fianza and Jonathan Dilworth for Abbey Road, Inc.

**Property Management Company:** Community Housing Management Services

**Project Financing Information:** 

**Bond Counsel**: Kutak Rock LLP

Credit Enhancement Provider: Not Applicable

Private Placement Purchaser: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A for Construction and California

Community Reinvestment Corporation for Permanent

**TEFRA Hearing Date**: November 9, 2012

**Description of Proposed Project:** 

State Ceiling Pool: General

Total Number of Units: 26, plus 1 manager unit

Type: New Construction

**Type of Units:** Family/Special Needs

Moonlight Villas will be a 27 unit low income housing project for families. The development will consist of 12 one-bedroom units, 12 two bedroom units and 3 three bedroom units, a community room with private offices for management and a services coordinator, 27 subterranean parking spots and outdoor activity spaces. The project will have 50% of the units set aside for homeless youths and the other units will be for very low income families.

## **Description of Public Benefits:**

Percent of Restricted Rental Units in the Project: 100%

100% (26 units) restricted to 50% or less of area median income households.

Unit Mix: 1, 2 & 3 bedrooms

No service amenities.

#### **Term of Restrictions:**

**Income and Rent Restrictions:** 55 years

## **Details of Project Financing:**

**Estimated Total Development Cost:** \$ 11,796,200

**Estimated Hard Costs per Unit:** \$ 227,334 (\$5,910,675 /26 units) **Estimated per Unit Cost:** \$ 453,700 (\$11,796,200 /26 units) **Allocation per Unit:** \$ 269,231 (\$7,000,000 /26 units)

**Allocation per Restricted Rental Unit:** \$ 269,231 (\$7,000,000 /26 restricted units)

The Project has total project costs that appear high for the geographic area in which it is located. According to the Project sponsor, the high cost is due to Unique Site Limitations: Topography, Massing, Subterranean Garage, Unrealized Economic Scale, Unique Reserve Requirements and Unique Planning Requirements.

Sources of Funds:	Construction	Permanent	
Tax-Exempt Bond Proceeds	\$ 7,000,000	\$ 1,297,986	
Deferred Developer Fee	\$ 0	\$ 504,000	
LIH Tax Credit Equity	\$ 644,298	\$ 4,415,801	
Direct & Indirect Public Funds	\$ 2,777,924	\$ 5,578,413	
Other (Deferred Costs during Constr.)	\$ 1,373,978	\$ 0	
Total Sources	\$ 11,796,200	\$ 11,796,200	
Uses of Funds:			
Acquisition/Land Purchase	\$ 304,950		
New Construction Costs	\$ 7,026,663		
Architectural	\$ 361,500		
Survey & Engineering	\$ 178,475		
Contingency Costs	\$ 481,600		
Construction Period Expenses	\$ 685,375		
Permanent Financing Expenses	\$ 22,980		
Legal Fees	\$ 150,000		
Capitalized Reserves	\$ 587,313		
Reports & Studies	\$ 37,829		
Other	\$ 759,515		
Developer Costs	\$ 1,200,000		
Total Uses	\$ 11,796,200		

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### **Description of Financial Structure and Bond Issuance:**

Wells Fargo Bank will Directly purchase up to \$7 million in private activity bonds at closing under its private placement structure. During the construction phase, bonds will carry a variable interest rate, based on the 30-day LIBOR index plus a spread of 275 basis points. Wells Fargo Bank, as the construction lender, will require a full repayment guaranty by the general partners to be posted at closing. The anticipate closing date is March 15, 2013. The California Community Reinvestment Corporation (CCRC) will provide the permanent financing and the permanent loan, the permanent loan will be a nonrecourse fixed-rate 15 year loan amortized over 15 years.\

#### **Analyst Comments:**

Not Applicable

#### **Legal Questionnaire:**

The Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the application. No information was disclosed to question the financial viability or legal integrity of the Applicant.

**Total Points:** 

72.5 out of 130

[See Attachment A]

### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the Committee approve \$7,000,000 in tax exempt bond allocation.

# ATTACHMENT A

# **EVALUATION SCORING:**

Point Criteria	Maximum Points Allowed for Non- Mixed Income Projects	Maximum Points Allowed for Mixed Income Projects	Points Scored
Federally Assisted At-Risk Project or HOPE VI Project	20	20	0
Exceeding Minimum Income Restrictions:	35	15	35
Exceeding Minimum Rent Restrictions  [Allowed if 10 pts not awarded above in Federally Assisted At-Risk Project or HOPE VI Project]	[10]	[10]	10
Gross Rents	5	5	0
Large Family Units	5	5	0
Leveraging	10	10	10
Community Revitalization Area	15	15	0
Site Amenities	10	10	7.5
Service Amenities	10	10	0
New Construction	10	10	10
Sustainable Building Methods	10	10	0
Negative Points	-10	-10	0
Total Points	130	100	72.5

The criteria for which points are awarded will also be incorporated into the Resolution transferring Allocation to the Applicant as well as the appropriate bond documents and loan and finance agreements.